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MISSISSIPPI RIVER BOTTOM LANDS TOWN  
WATER-FLOWS GALENA LEAD MINES  
MINERAL POINT COPPER MINE.

From a son with the inquisitors for a nap  
I had called "the shop," belonging to the  
foot of the bluff, and over the edge of the Mississippi, at Quincy, I was  
and I was most anxious to  
hear the barking of the steamboat. I jumped  
up the steps, and looking down the  
was girted with an acceptable glaze  
the first rays of sun of the river  
Waking, she was in the power  
but not to have waked me, I got  
away in the first on board the  
the boat stopped. But no one was up to  
receive me for my lodgings in the workshop, and  
I gave the negro dollar, which I calculated,  
would go to "a few finds."  
not about the village, but his honesty  
should not be sufficient to save my name from  
the reproach of going off without settling my  
bill.

Twenty and eight brought me to this place,  
where the Mississippi is like a living through  
the River Swamp, or such as happens that  
to be. The extreme monotony in the  
natural beauty of the place, which is not even  
unholy that the time and American  
all-nighting enterprise will ever vanquish the  
diseases by which they are covered, for  
they have a potent ally in the subtle Indians  
engaged under their protection.

The rivers between two ranges of bluffs,  
in a few places thirty miles apart. Between  
the ranges are the bottom lands, which are over-  
flowed at all times of high water. Through  
these bottom lands the river finds its way, com-  
munity winding from one side to the other, and  
constantly changing its course, wearing away  
the land on one side, and dropping its forests  
into the river, and forming new banks on the  
other, which in time, are covered with new for-  
ests. I do not wonder that the French, after a  
weak attempt of the Mississippi, should call  
over the Ohio, "la Belle Riviere," by contrast.

These bottom lands are too unhealthy for set-  
tlement. In some places they have attempted  
to start a town, but they rank, like their  
inhabitants, weak, sickly, and miserable. Were  
they to go to the regions to confine himself to  
the river, he would think himself in the most  
glory portion of the world. He might travel  
thousand miles, and return, without the  
slightest conception that he had been passing  
through one of the most beautiful countries on  
earth.

There are places however where the river ap-  
proaches the bluffs, and these are connected with  
the rich country of the interior, and not so high  
as to be inaccessible. These places are always  
selected for sites of towns. Such are Quincy,  
Waukegan, &c. For a space about Rock  
Island the river wears a different character, and  
resembles that of an eastern river. This, per-  
haps, is the most beautiful part of the Mississippi.  
On Rock Island we observed a handsome  
court, in Joliet, such an one as would be no  
discredit to older settlements. It belongs to a  
Mr. Davenport, an old inhabitant of these re-  
gions.

By helping to this place, I have learned of  
a certain anecdote, illustrating the in-  
of "A." Mr. Davenport had taken up a con-  
siderable tract here, and made large improve-  
ments, and it had become very valuable before  
the law in the district were put into the market.  
By the proscriptive laws, every Miller  
had to acquire a quarter section, at government  
price. If there were two millers on one quar-  
ter, they could hold that quarter, and were en-  
titled to take another lot out of any unappropri-  
ated lands. A quarter, for every of Boston,  
about eleven years on a fair-  
value, \$1000 A. that a hired man of his pur-  
chased up 200 acres at low prices, and then  
left the part of Davenport's land. Daven-  
port could bid by price, than but one quarter  
and a half, and so evidently could not visit the  
affair of the bonds upon the other lots, and  
the price of the land about fifteen thousand  
dollars.

Early on Sunday morning, I awoke, and  
so late, as I was lying at this place,  
I never saw a more dreary, or  
a more desolate, or a more  
a high, and the river made its way  
hardly any level space upon which  
was informed that Galena is on the best spot  
that could be found for a town in this region. As it  
was situated in between the river and  
a high bluff, high, to be laborious  
but the river cuts it upon the edge  
the middle of the ridge. Higher than this,  
the town is situated, and the water, &c. &c. &c.  
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" " at 4 " "

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Baggage at the risk of its owners.

Leave Old Town 6:30 a.m. to Upper Stillwater 50 cents; Upper Stillwater to Old Town 12 1/2 cents; Narrows 12 1/2 cents less.

Trav. will be reckoned on the following terms:

For 100 lbs. Merchandise or less, 20 cents;

For 100 lbs. and less than 100 lbs. hundred;

For 100 lbs. and upwards 10 cents per hundred;

For 100 lbs. and upwards charged by bulk.

The Company's Bill of Goods is the business

part of the bill for the present upon leaving a manu-

facture at the Transportation Office.

If 100 quantity exceed 500 lbs. no charge will be

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